

Emerald Ash Borer in MD

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Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)

Agrilus planipennis

Order: Coleoptera

Family: Buprestidae



Emerald ash borer Native Range

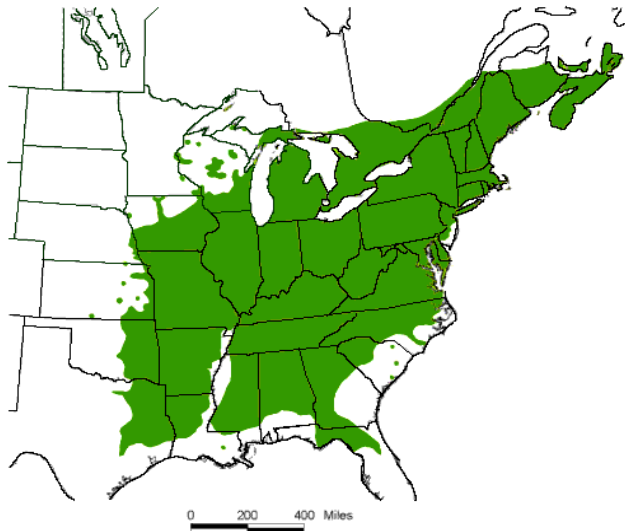


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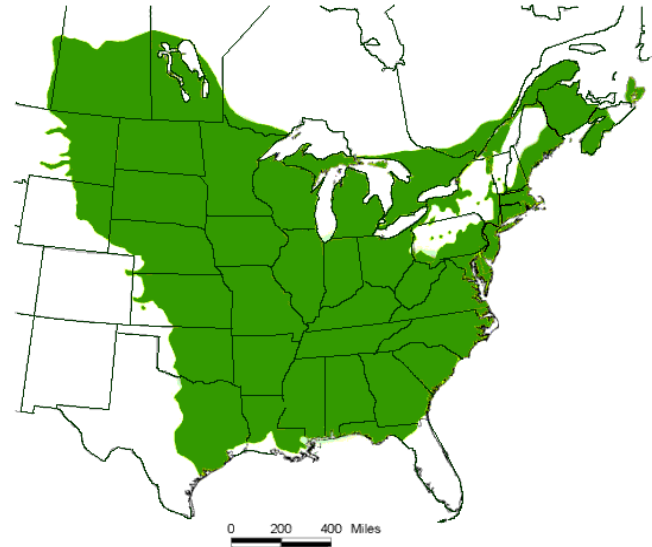


Distribution of Ash

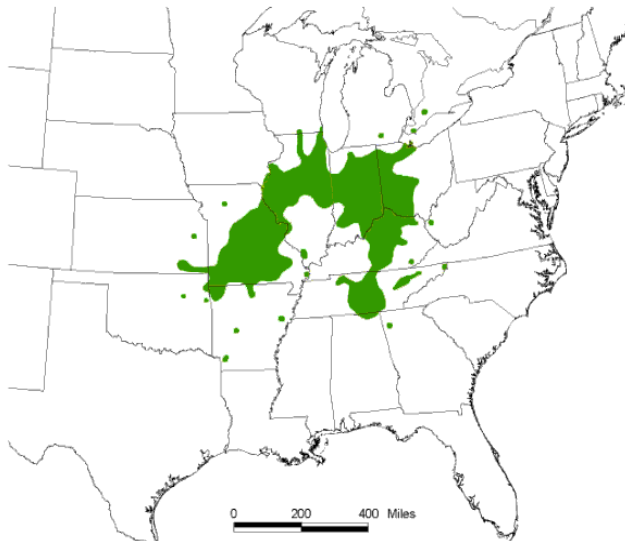
Native Range of White Ash



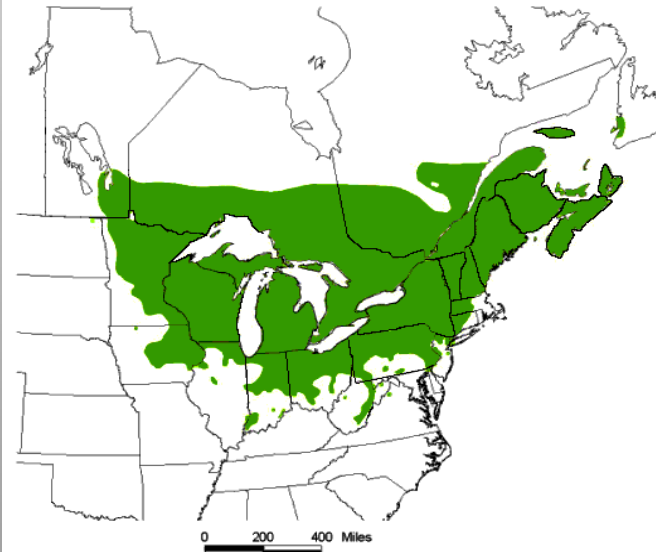
Native Range of Green Ash



Native Range of Blue Ash

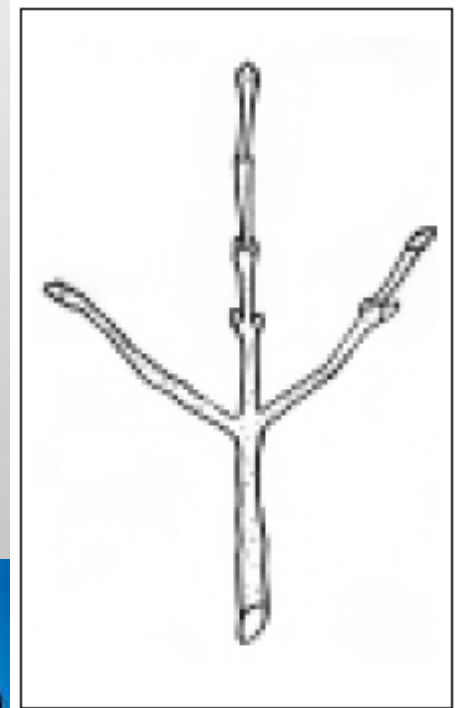
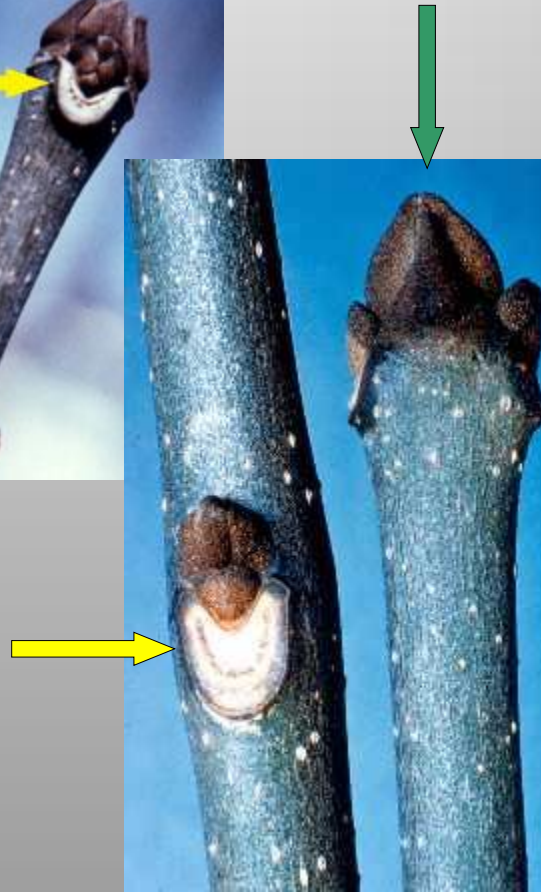


Native Range of Black Ash



Ash Identification

- Opposite branches and buds
 - Single bud at end of branch
 - Leaf scar U shaped
- 5-9 leaflets



Opposite
branching

Ash Identification

Bark on older trees deep with a diamond pattern



Upright form





Mating and Eggs



Larvae (immatures)



Adults



Pupae

Symptoms/Signs of EAB

- Dieback in upper crown.
- Suckering (epicormic branching) on the tree's trunk.



Signs of emerald ash borer

- Vertical splitting.
- “D” shaped exit holes.
- Tunneled galleries underneath bark.



Bark split with galley



D-shaped exit hole







Red bellied woodpeckers most common EAB predator in MD

Signs of emerald ash borer feeding



5/6/10 EAB feeding

Signs of emerald ash borer

Newly emerged EAB fly to the canopy and start feeding



Ash tree infested with EAB on August 20, 2009

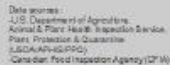




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Same tree as previous slide one year later.

Initial county EAB detections in North America



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Red dots represent the first positive find for EAB in each county.

Emerald Ash Borer

Earliest known emergence dates in MD

- 2008 - May 18
- 2009 – May 12
- 2010 – May 1
- 2011 – May 10
- **2012 – April 20**
- 2013 – May 16
- 2014 – May 15
- 2015 – May 10



Average 431 DD 50°F start emerging. Black locust blooming

98% of all beetles trapped are captured
by 1st week of August in MD

EAB Trapping

mid-April –
mid-August



**VERY
STICKY**



Insects in Minnesota That May Be Confused With Emerald Ash Borer

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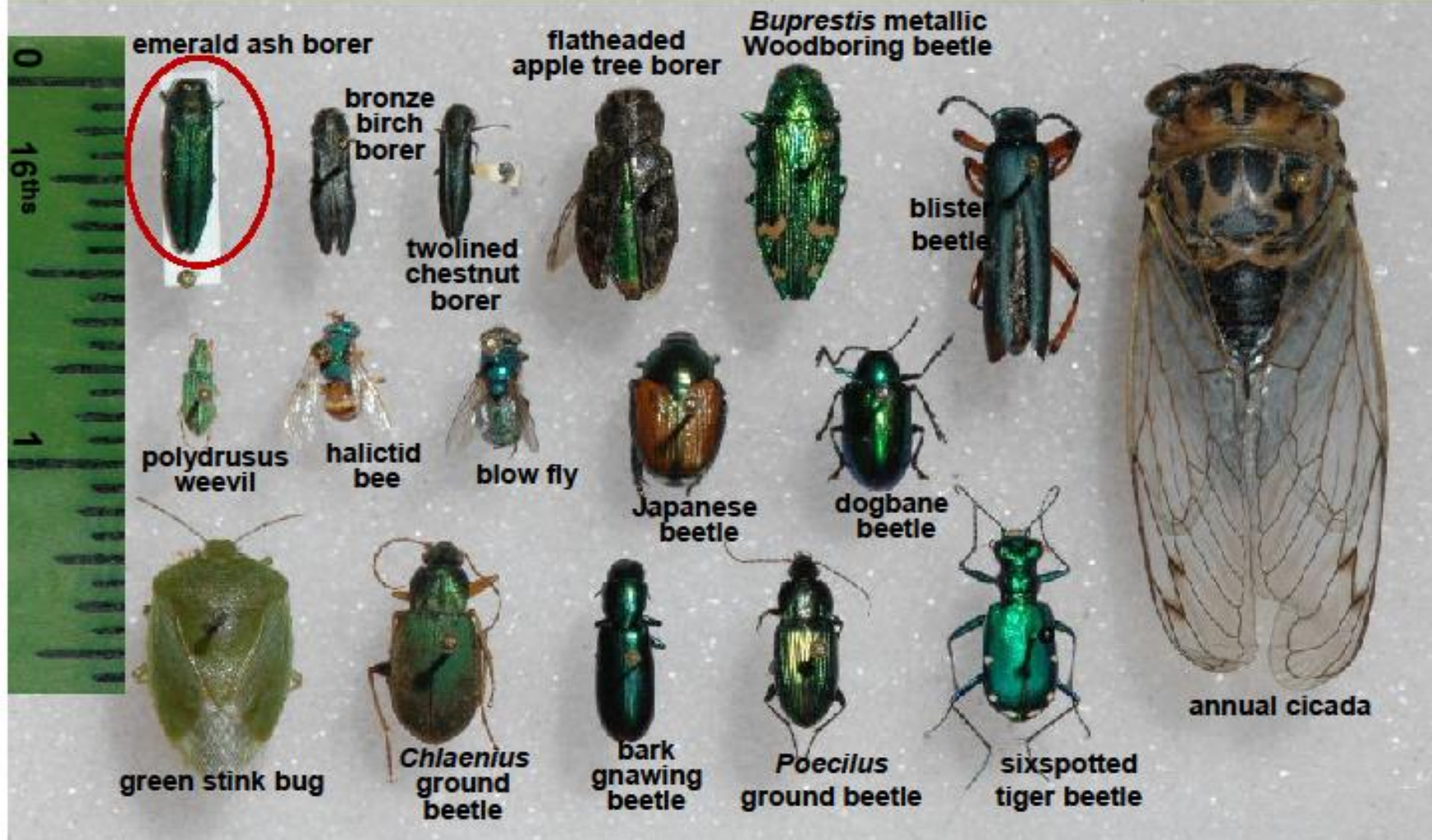


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Ash and Banded Ash Clearwing Borers

- Ash Borer moths present in early summer.
- Larvae feed through summer and overwinter as pupae.
- Banded Ash Clearwing moths present in late summer and fall.
- Larvae overwinter as 2nd instar, pupate in summer.
- Look for sawdust like frass and pupal skins protruding from exit holes.
- Crown dieback and epicormic shoots.

Ash Borer



Banded Ash Clearwing



Maryland Emerald Ash Borer Project

2010 Trap Survey



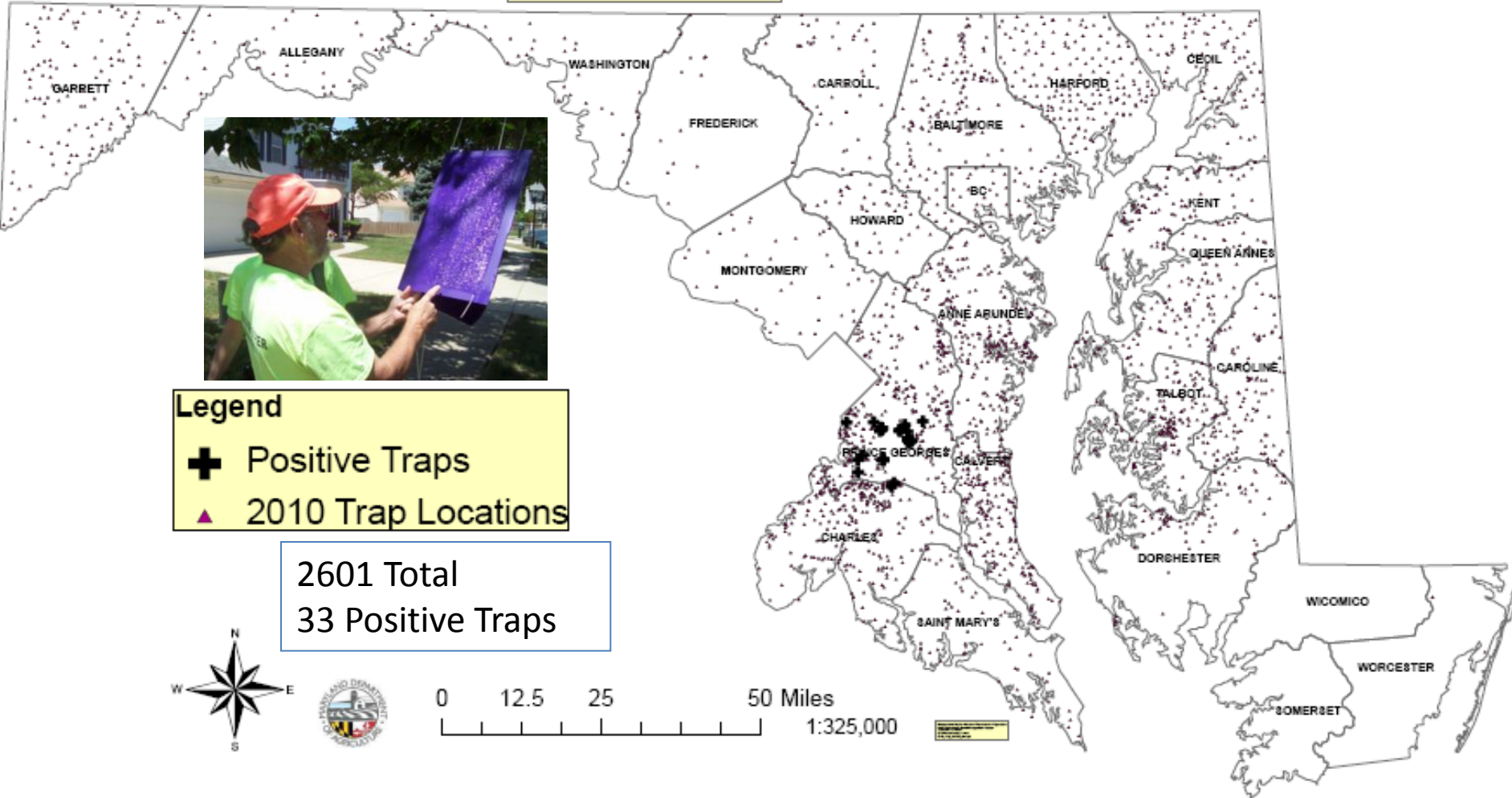
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- ✚ Positive Traps
- ▲ 2010 Trap Locations

2601 Total
33 Positive Traps

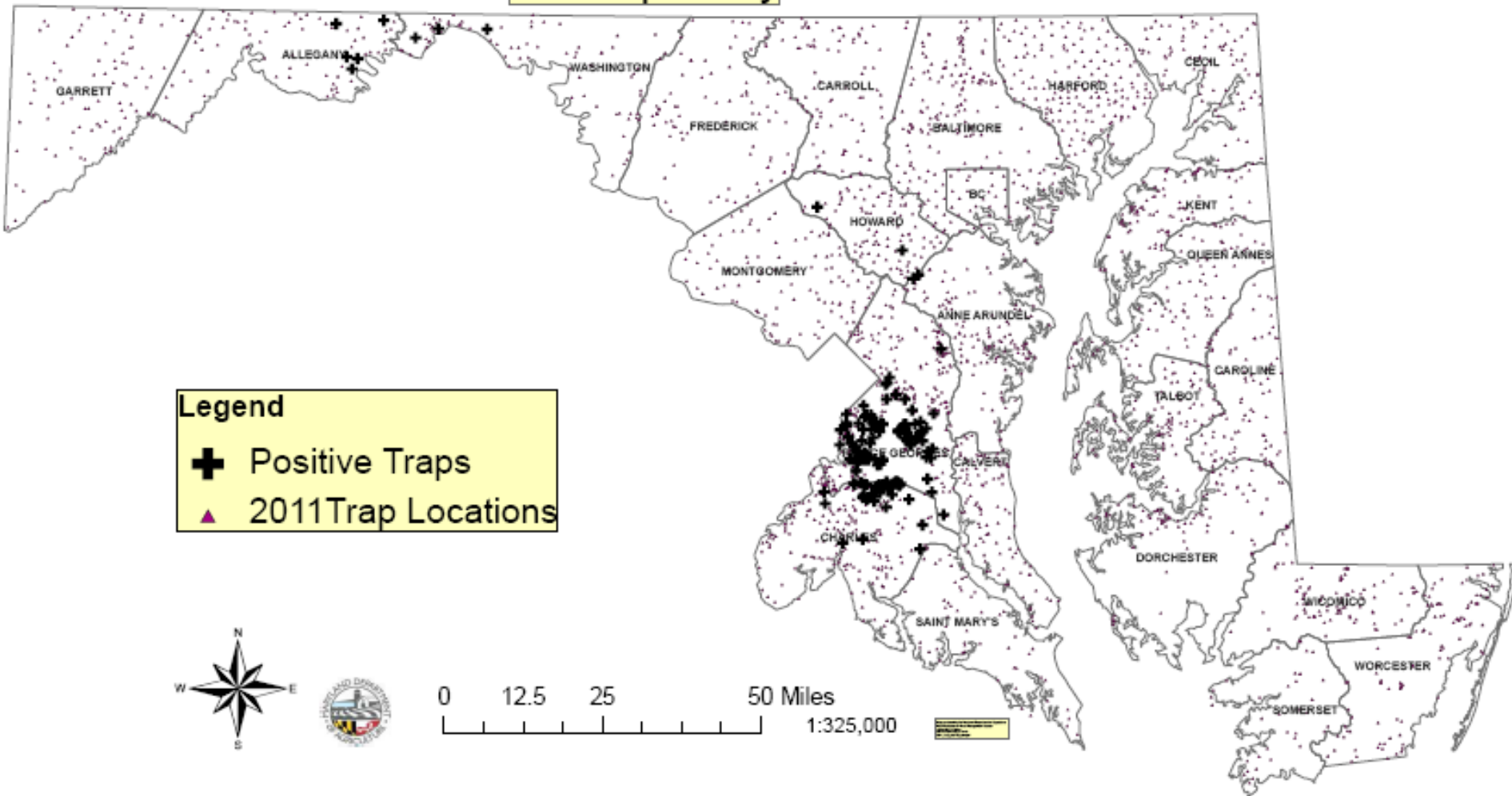


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Maryland Emerald Ash Borer Project

2011 Trap Survey



2012 Maryland Emerald Ash Borer Project

Legend

- ✦ July 19, 2012 Visual Detection
- ⚡ 2012 MD National Parks EAB detections

2012 EAB High Risk Positive Sites

Positive

- ✦ YES
- ✦ NO

2012 USDA trap trial Positive sites

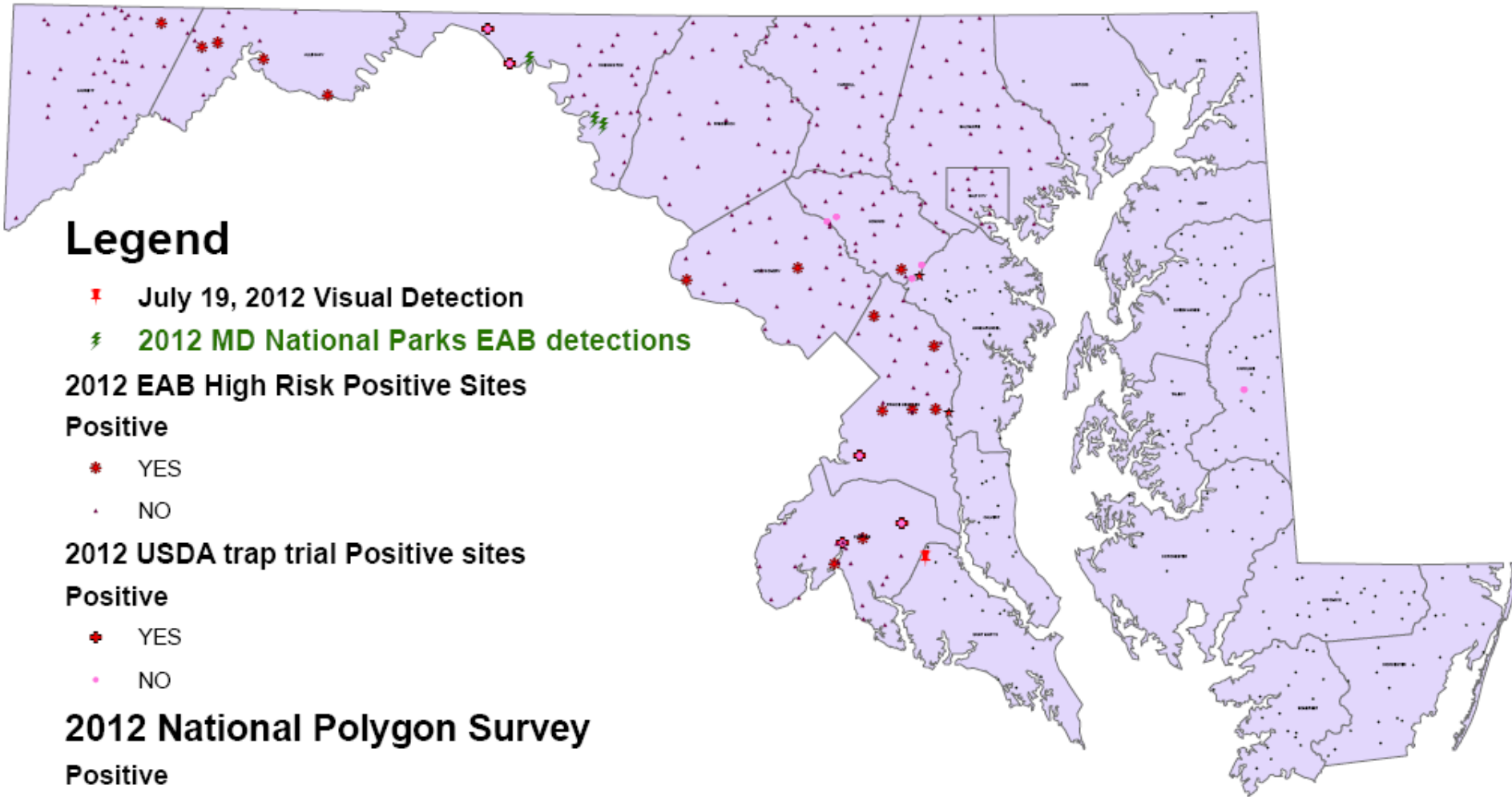
Positive

- ✦ YES
- ✦ NO

2012 National Polygon Survey

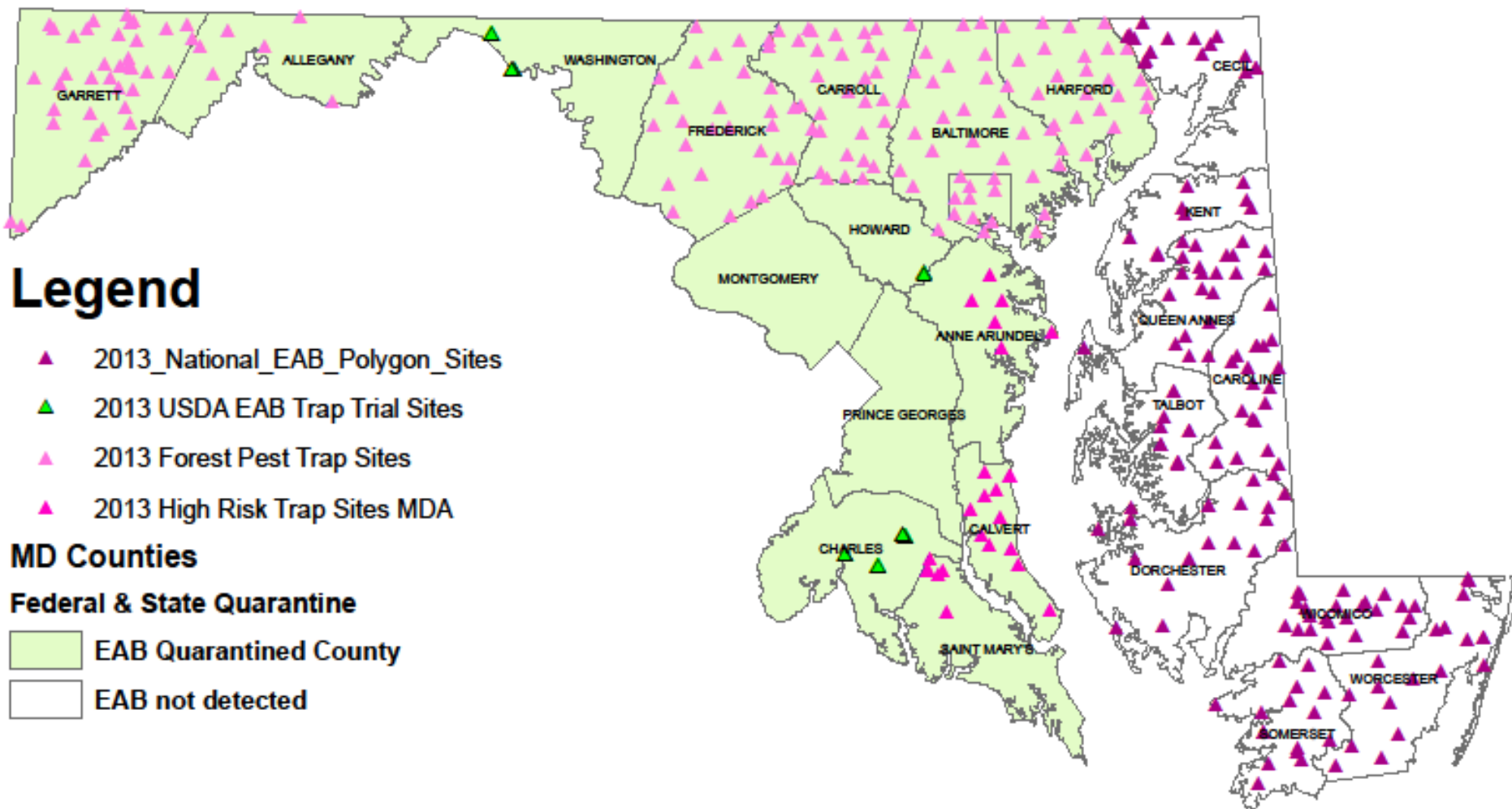
Positive

- ✦ YES
- ✦ NO



2013 Maryland Emerald Ash Borer Project

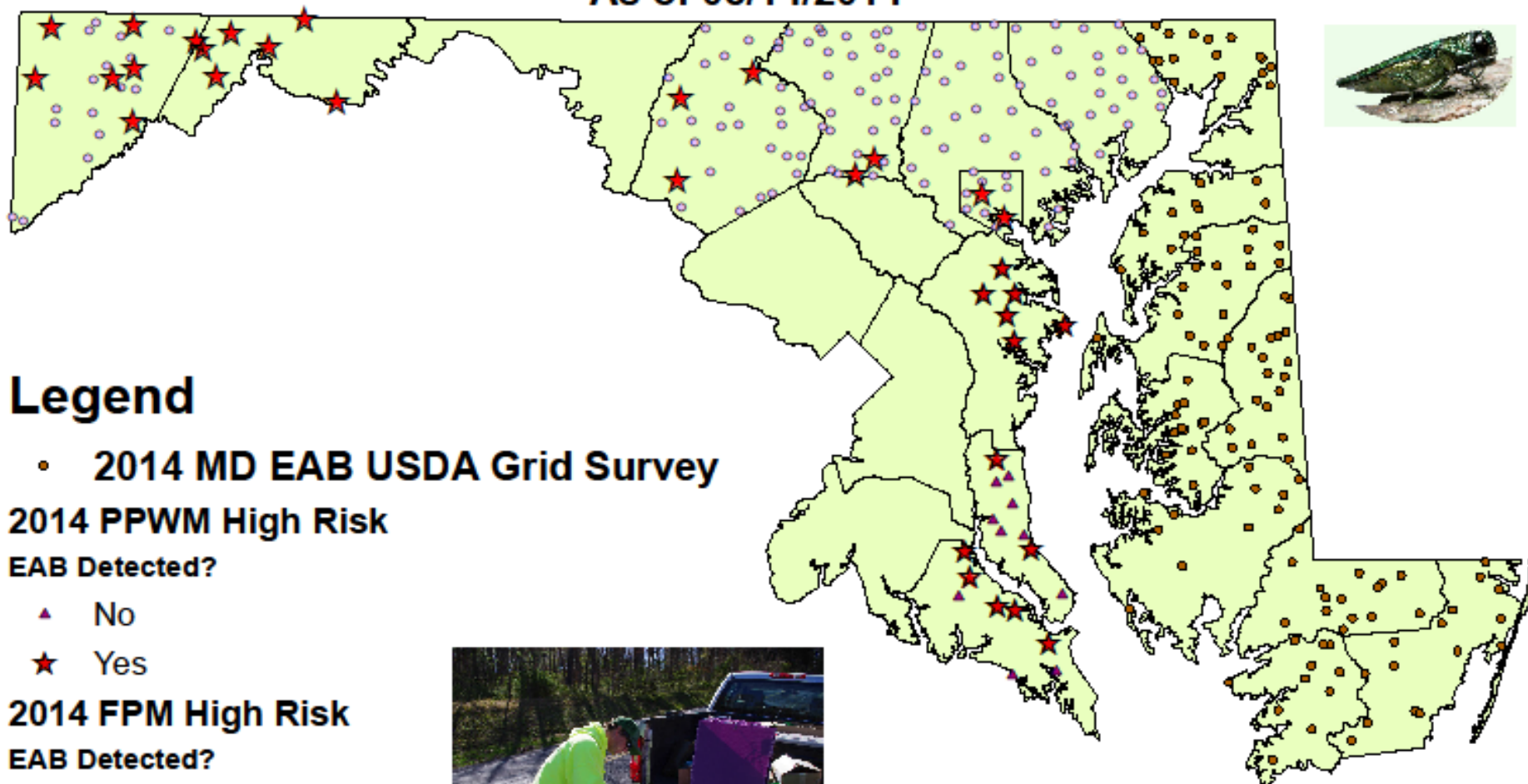
National Grid Survey Sites



Maryland Emerald Ash Borer Project

2014 Trap Survey

As of 08/14/2014



Legend

- 2014 MD EAB USDA Grid Survey

2014 PPWM High Risk

EAB Detected?

- ▲ No
- ★ Yes

2014 FPM High Risk

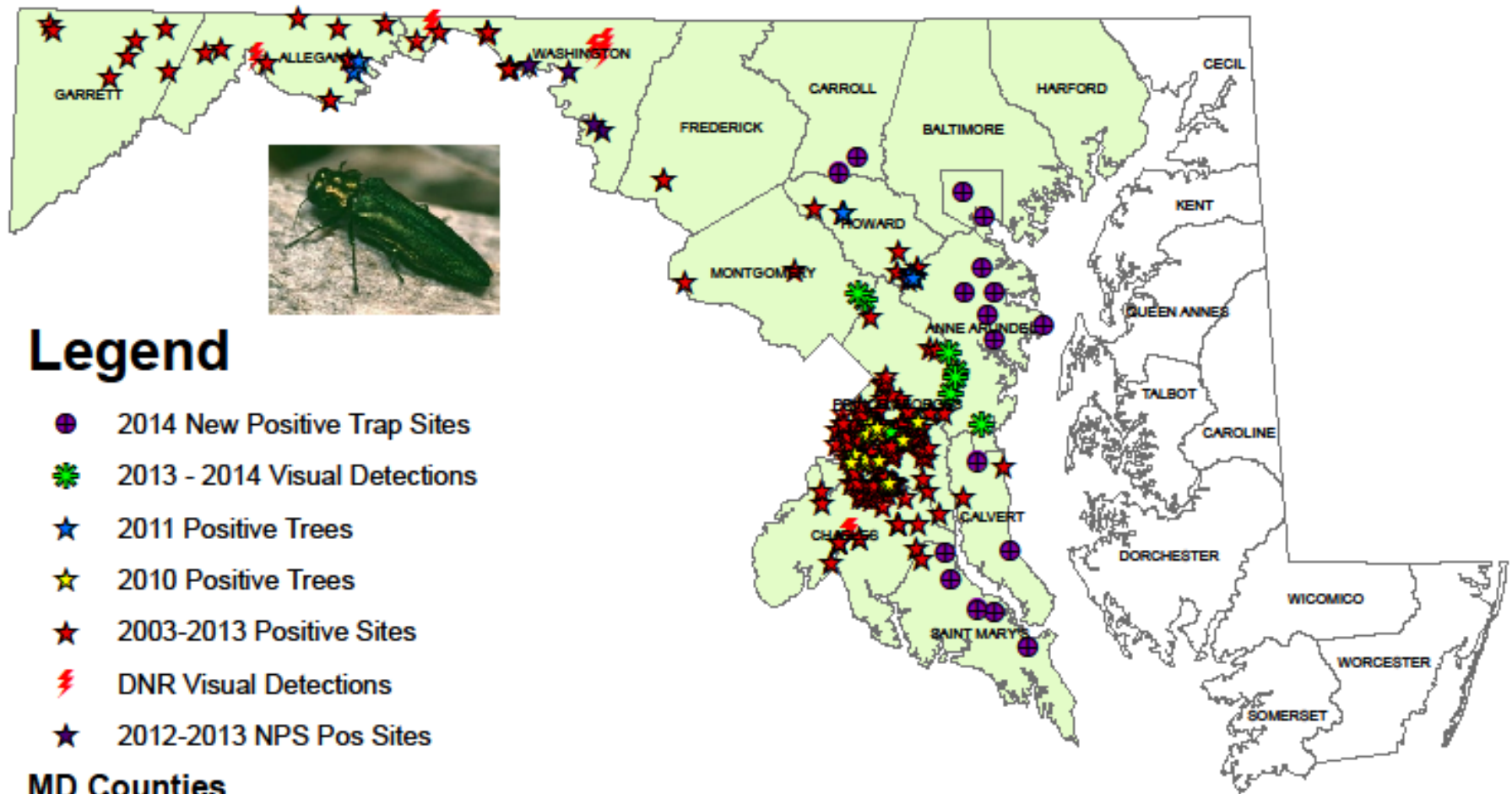
EAB Detected?

- No
- ★ Yes



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2003 to 2014 Positive Sites



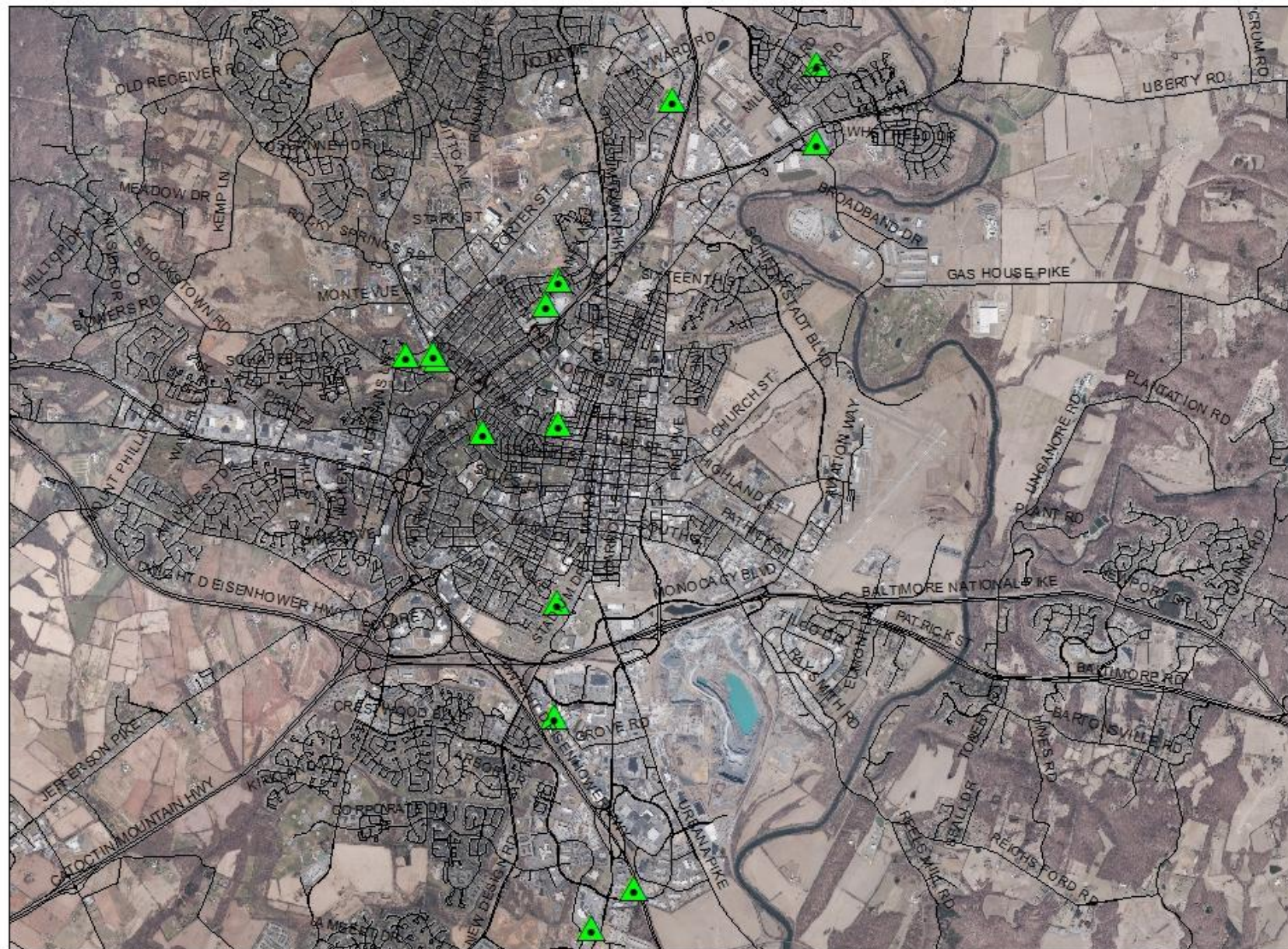
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Map produced by the Maryland Department of Agriculture
Plant Protection & Weed Management Section
8/14/2014 D Bean
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Positive EAB Sites in Frederick City



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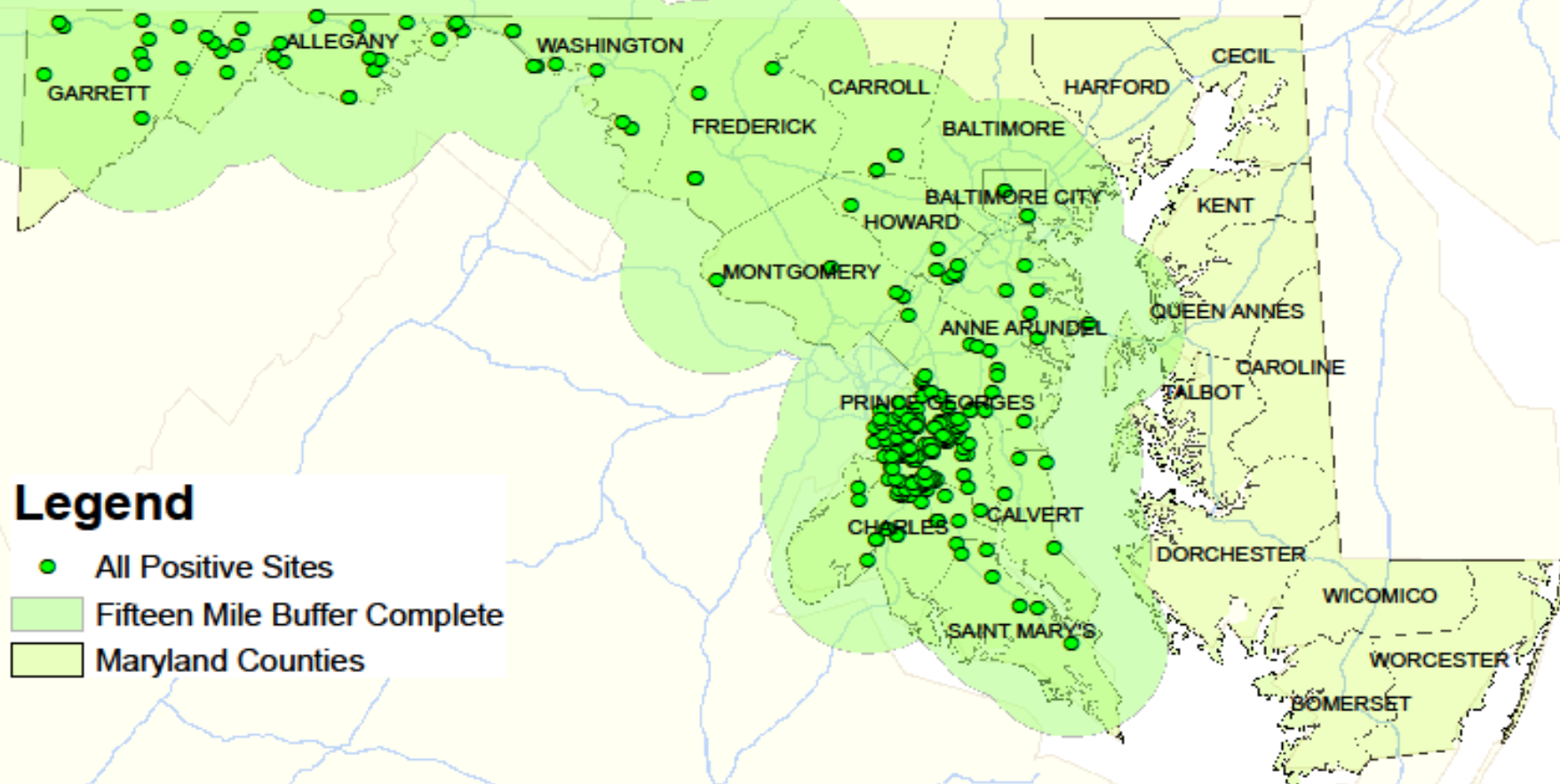
▲ Tree(s) Positive for EAB

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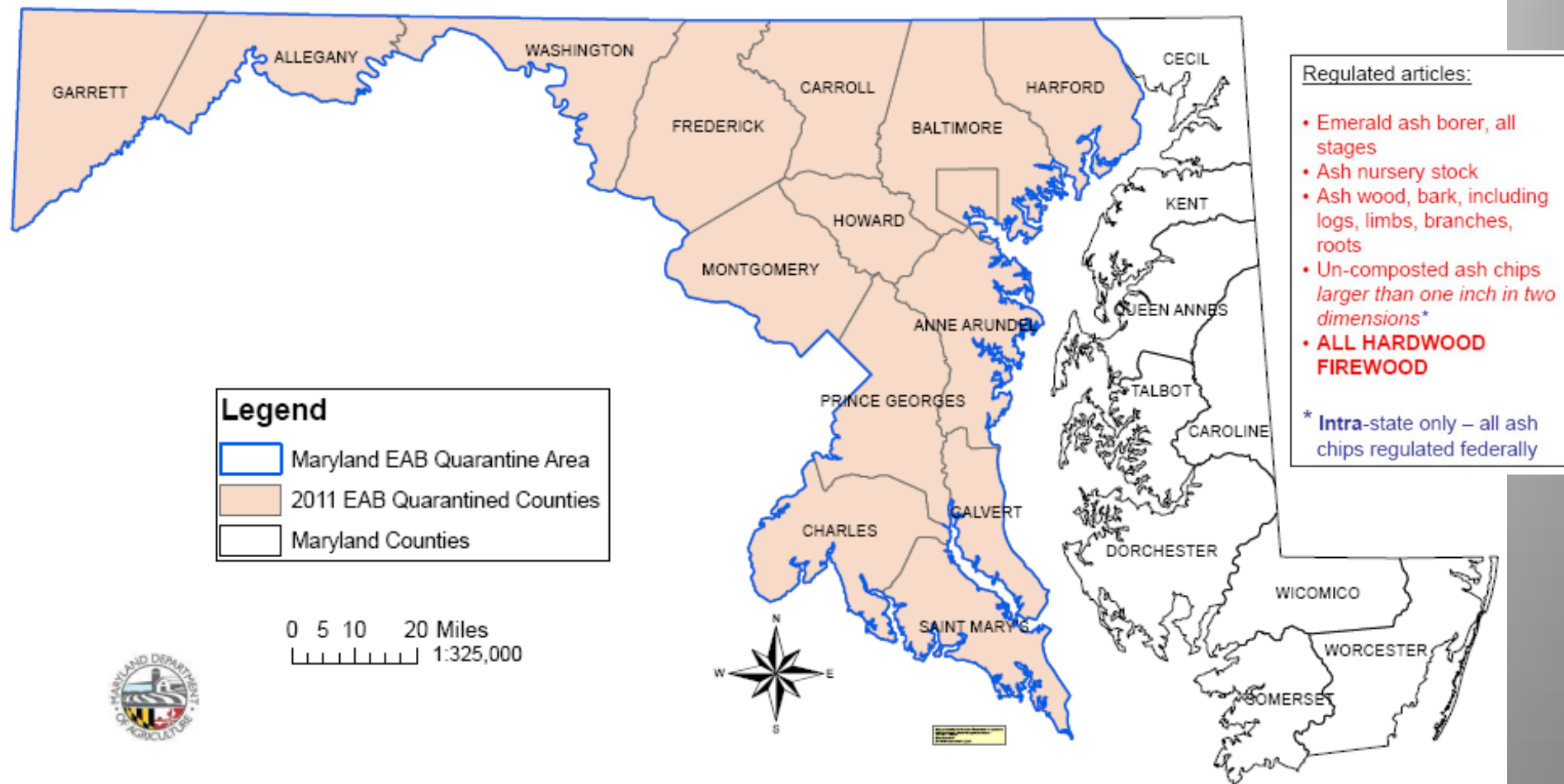


Maryland Emerald Ash Borer Project

Fifteen Mile Buffer from Known Positive Sites



Maryland Department of Agriculture Emerald Ash Borer Quarantine Order #11-2



Federal Quarantine – USDA



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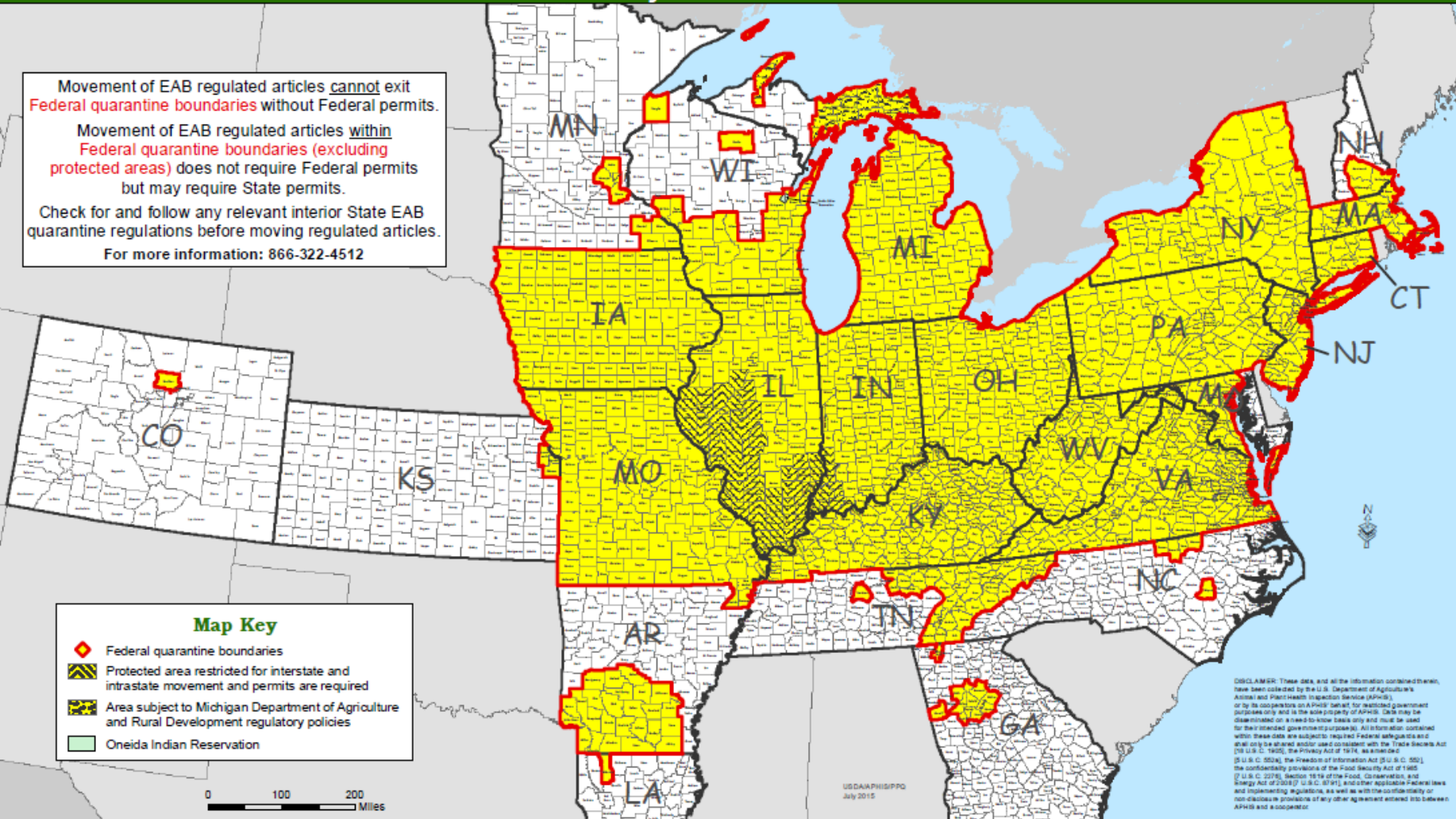
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Movement of EAB regulated articles cannot exit
Federal quarantine boundaries without Federal permits.

Movement of EAB regulated articles within
Federal quarantine boundaries (excluding
protected areas) does not require Federal permits
but may require State permits.

Check for and follow any relevant interior State EAB
quarantine regulations before moving regulated articles.

For more information: 866-322-4512



Rearing EAB in MD

- MDA raises adult EAB beetles to assist in the parasitoid research conducted by USDA, Agricultural Research Services (ARS)
- Raised over 8,000 adults beetles in 2014 for research



EAB Biocontrol Agents (Parasitic Wasps)



Debbie Miller, USDA Forest Service, Bugwood.org

Oobius agrili

- Tiny wasp
- lays its egg inside an EAB egg.
- Each *Oobius* adult can parasitize up to 62 EAB eggs.
- *Oobius* completes two generations per year.



David Cappaert, MI State Univ., Bugwood.org

Spathius agrili –

- Largest of the three parasitic wasps (but still very small)
- Lays its eggs on EAB larvae.
- Can lay up to twenty eggs on one EAB larva, where they feed and develop.
- Completes 3-4 generations per year.



Jennifer Ayer, Bugwood.org

Tetrastichus planipennisi

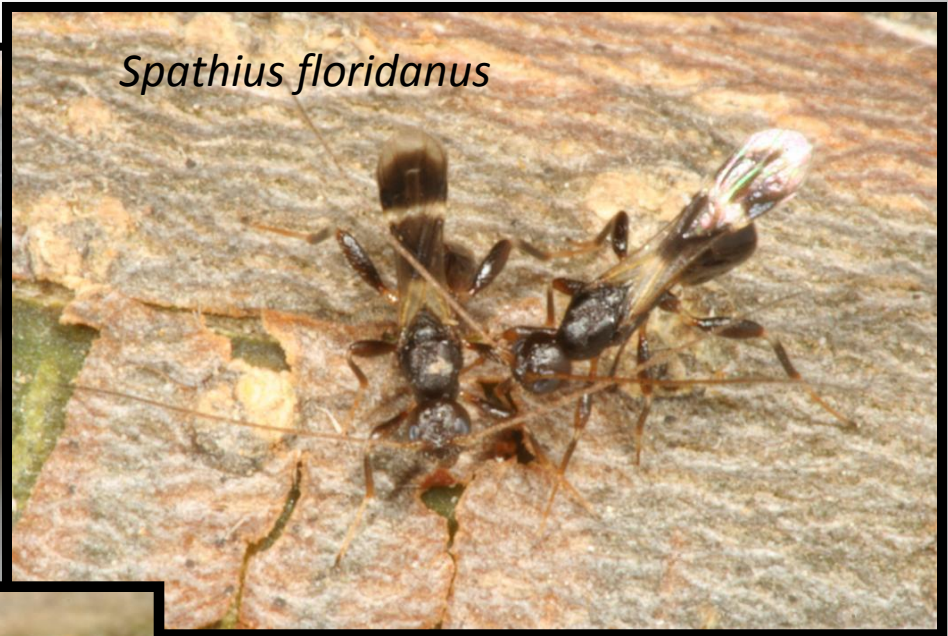
- Small wasp lays its eggs inside EAB larvae
- Larvae grow in the EAB larva, eventually killing it
- *Tetrastichus* can complete four generations a year.

Releases in MD started in 2009.
All parasitoids have been recovered.

Native Parasitoids



Atanycolus cappaerti



Spathius floridanus



Spathius sp.



Phasgonophora sulcata

EAB in MD – The Future

- Monitoring the spread of EAB by continuing to survey in all counties that are negative for EAB
- Parasitoid releases
 - New sites will be added as the infestation moves in to new counties
- Rearing EAB for USDA Agricultural Research Services (ARS) continued parasitoid research
- Continue greenhouse rearing of tropical ash trees

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